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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0038] with the following amended paragraph:

[0038] The data in Table 5 illustrate hardness (CaCO_3) scale removal from metal surfaces in a tower system treated with the methods of the present invention through coupon weight loss reduction. Standard metal coupons that were scaled with CaCO_3 film were weighed before and after ten days of exposure and the visible removal of most of the scale thickness. The demonstrated CaCO_3 weight loss rate will provide gradual removal of hardness scale deposits that have occurred in a system prior to method treatment.